

CLAIMS:

I claim:

1. An elastic laminate comprising
 - 5 a. an elastic layer having a first region comprising a plurality of first elastomeric fibers or filaments prepared from a first elastomeric material, said first elastomeric fibers or filaments having a length and at least one second elastomeric fibers or filaments prepared from a second elastomeric material, said second elastomeric fibers or filaments having a length, wherein a portion of the second elastomeric fibers or filaments is at least
10 partially conjoined to a first elastomeric fiber or filament at one or more points along the length of each of the second and first fibers or filaments; and
 - b. a facing layer bonded to at least a first side of the elastic layer.
- 15 2. The elastic laminate of claim 1, wherein the first region comprises between 1 and 50 of the second elastomeric fibers or filaments per inch in a cross machine direction which are conjoined to first elastomeric fibers or filaments.
- 20 3. The elastic laminate of claim 2, wherein the first region comprises between 5 and 15 of the second elastomeric fibers or filaments per inch in a cross machine direction which are conjoined to a first elastomeric fiber or filament.
- 25 4. The elastic laminate of claim 1, wherein the first elastomeric material comprises a polymer selected from polyurethanes, copolyetheresters, polyamide polyether block copolymers, ethylene vinyl acetates (EVA), block copolymers having general formula A-B-A', A-B, elastomeric A-B-A-B where A and A' are each a thermoplastic polymer end block which contains a styrenic moiety such as a poly (vinyl arene) and where B is an elastomeric polymer midblock such as a conjugated diene or a lower alkene polymer and the second elastomeric material comprises a polymer selected from polyurethanes,
30 copolyetheresters, polyamide polyether block copolymers, ethylene vinyl acetates (EVA), block copolymers having general formula A-B-A', A-B, elastomeric A-B-A-B where A and A' are each a thermoplastic polymer end block which contains a styrenic moiety such as a poly (vinyl arene) and where B is an elastomeric polymer midblock such as a conjugated diene or a lower alkene polymer, and wherein the first elastomeric fibers or filaments have
35 different elastic properties from the second elastomeric fibers or filaments.

5. The elastic laminate of claim 4, wherein the first elastomeric material comprises an elastomeric block copolymer and the second elastomeric material comprises lycra.
6. The elastic laminate of claim 3, wherein the first elastomeric material comprises (polystyrene/poly(ethylene-propylene)/ polystyrene/ poly(ethylene-propylene)) block copolymer and the second elastomeric material comprises lycra.
7. The elastic laminate of claim 1, wherein the elastic layer further comprises a second region comprising an elastomeric material, wherein the second region comprises fewer second elastomeric fibers or filaments conjoined to the first elastomeric fibers or filaments per liner inch in a cross-machine direction of the laminate.
8. The laminate of claim 7, wherein the second region is essentially devoid of any of the second elastomeric fibers or filaments conjoined to the first elastomeric fibers or filaments
9. The elastic laminate of claim 8, wherein the elastomeric material of the second region comprises a plurality of elastomeric fibers or filaments.
10. The elastic laminate of claim 9, wherein the elastomeric fibers or filaments of the second region comprise fibers or filaments prepared from the first elastomeric material.
11. The elastic laminate of claim 10, wherein the first region comprises between 2 and 50 of the second elastomeric fibers or filaments in the cross-machine direction conjoined to a first elastomeric fiber or filament.
12. The elastic laminate of claim 11, wherein the first region comprises between 5 and 15 of the second elastomeric fibers or filaments in the cross-machine direction conjoined to a first elastomeric fiber or filament.
13. The elastic laminate of claim 12 wherein the first elastomeric material comprises a polymer selected from polyurethanes, copolyetheresters, polyamide polyether block copolymers, ethylene vinyl acetates (EVA), block copolymers having general formula A-B-A' , A-B, elastomeric A-B-A-B where A and A' are each a thermoplastic polymer end block which contains a styrenic moiety such as a poly (vinyl arene) and where B is an elastomeric polymer midblock such as a conjugated diene or a lower alkene polymer

and the second elastomeric material comprises a polymer selected from polyurethanes, copolyetheresters, polyamide polyether block copolymers, ethylene vinyl acetates (EVA), block copolymers having general formula A-B-A' , A-B, elastomeric A-B-A-B where A and A' are each a thermoplastic polymer end block which contains a styrenic moiety such as a poly (vinyl arene) and where B is an elastomeric polymer midblock such as a conjugated diene or a lower alkene polymer, and wherein the first elastomeric fibers or filaments have different elastic properties from the second elastomeric fibers or filaments.

14. The elastic laminate of claim 13, wherein the first elastomeric material comprises (polystyrene/poly(ethylene-propylene)/ polystyrene/ poly(ethylene-propylene)) block copolymer_ and the second elastomeric material comprises lycra.

15. The elastic laminate of claim 1, wherein the elastic layer has a first side and a second side, wherein a facing layer is bonded to the first side and second side of the elastic layer.

16. The elastic laminate of claim 7, wherein the elastic layer has a first side and a second side, wherein a facing layer is bonded to the first side and second side of the elastic layer.

17. The elastic laminate of claim 7, wherein the first region has a high tension, low stretch characteristic and the second region has a low tension, high stretch characteristic.

18. The elastic laminate of claim 14, wherein the first region has a high tension, low stretch characteristic and the second region has a low tension, high stretch characteristic.

19. A personal care product comprising the elastic laminate of claim 1.

20. A personal care product comprising the elastic laminate of claim 7.